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In re Application of Iouri Kloubakov, et al. Application No. 10/060,423

ON PETITION

Filed: January 30, 2002

Attorney Docket No. 7190-205

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed June 29, 2007, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is not signed by a registered attorney or agent of record. However, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature of Eric A. Lerner appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he is authorized to represent the particular party on whose behalf he acts.

## The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the final Office action of November 15, 2006. This decision precedes the mailing of a Notice of Abandonment. On June 29, 2007, the present petition was filed.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 and fee of \$790; (2) the petition fee of \$1,500; and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay.

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Since the \$1,020 extension of time fee submitted with the petition on June 29, 2007 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be credited to petitioner's deposit account.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 3627 for processing of the RCE and for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the amendment submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.114.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204. Inquiries relating to further prosecution should be directed to the Technology Center.

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